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PCT/SE99/00792  
-filed May 11, 1999

Re: Application of Nils-Ake STERNHAMN  
PALLET AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING THE PALLET  
Our Ref: Q61599

Dear Sir:

The following documents and fees are submitted herewith in connection with the above application for the purpose of entering the National stage under 35 U.S.C. § 371 and in accordance with Chapter II of the Patent Cooperation Treaty:

- ☒ an executed Declaration and Power of Attorney.
- ☐ an English translation of the International Application.
- ☐ sheet(s) of drawings.
- ☐ an English translation of Article 19 claim amendments.
- ☐ an English translation of Article 34 amendments (annexes to the IPER).
- ☐ an executed Assignment and PTO 1595 form.
- ☒ a Form PTO-1449 listing the ISR references
- ☒ an executed Small Entity Declaration.
- ☐ a Preliminary Amendment

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It is assumed that copies of the International Application, the International Search Report, the International Preliminary Examination Report, and any Articles 19 and 34 amendments as required by § 371(c) will be supplied directly by the International Bureau, but if further copies are needed, the undersigned can easily provide them upon request.

Applicant claims benefit of small entity status in accordance with 37 CFR § 1.27.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows (Small Entity fees apply):

Total claims	7	-	20	=		x	\$9.00	=	\$0.00
Independent claims	2	-	3	=		x	\$40.00	=	\$0.00
Base Fee									\$500.00

**TOTAL FEE**

**\$500.00**

**PATENT APPLICATION**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

Nils-Ake STERNHAMN

Appln. No.: 09/700,121

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**RESPONSE TO MISSING PARTS REQUIREMENT**

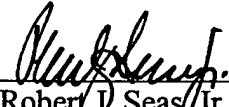
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Sir:

Attached is a copy of the originally filed application cover sheet and the stamped receipt from the Patent Office, clearly indicating the Declaration/Power of Attorney was filed in this application, and therefore there is no missing parts requirement due in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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## UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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APPLICATION NUMBER	FILING OR 371(C) DATE	FIRST NAMED APPLICANT	ATTY. DOCKET NO./TITLE
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CONFIRMATION NO. 1919

ABANDONMENT/TERMINATION  
LETTER

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Date Mailed: 10/16/2003

## NOTICE OF ABANDONMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.53 (f) OR (g)

The above-identified application is abandoned for failure to timely or properly reply to the Notice to File Missing Parts (Notice) mailed on 01/08/2001.

A petition to the Commissioner under 37 CFR 1.137 may be filed requesting that the application be revived.

Under 37 CFR 1.137(a), a petition requesting the application be revived on the grounds of **UNAVOIDABLE DELAY** must be filed promptly after the applicant becomes aware of the abandonment and such petition must be accompanied by: (1) an adequate showing of the cause of unavoidable delay; (2) the required reply to the above-identified Notice; (3) the petition fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(l); and (4) a terminal disclaimer if required by 37 CFR 1.137(d).

Under 37 CFR 1.137(b), a petition requesting the application be revived on the grounds of **UNINTENTIONAL DELAY** must be filed promptly after applicant becomes aware of the abandonment and such petition must be accompanied by: (1) a statement that the entire delay was unintentional; (2) the required reply to the above-identified Notice; (3) the petition fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(m); and (4) a terminal disclaimer if required by 37 CFR 1.137(d).

Any questions concerning petitions to revive should be directed to the "Office of Petitions" at (703) 305-9282. Petitions should be mailed to: Mail Stop Petitions, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria VA 22313-1450.

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*

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PART 2 - COPY TO BE RETURNED WITH RESPONSE

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**FILING RECEIPT**  
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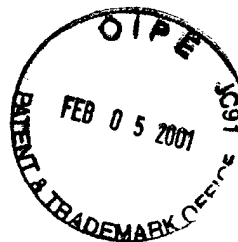
PAPER(S) FILED ENTITLED:

1. RESPONSE TO MISSING PARTS, COPY OF STAMPED RECEIPT AND COPY OF ORIGINAL FILING PAPER

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**NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)**

1. The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as:

- ☐ a Designated Office (37 CFR 1.494),  
☒ an Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495):  
☒ U.S. Basic National Fee.  
☒ Copy of the international application in:  
☐ a non-English language.  
☒ English.  
☒ Translation of the international application into English.  
☐ Oath or Declaration of inventors(s) for DO/EO/US.  
☐ Copy of Article 19 amendments.  
☐ Translation of Article 19 amendments into English.  
☒ The International Preliminary Examination Report in English and its Annexes, if any.  
☐ Translation of Annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report into English.  
☐ Preliminary amendment(s) filed \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.  
☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) filed \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.  
☐ Assignment document.  
☐ Power of Attorney and/or Change of Address.  
☐ Substitute specification filed \_\_\_\_\_.  
☐ Verified Statement Claiming Small Entity Status.  
☐ Priority Document.  
☒ Copy of the International Search Report ☐ and copies of the references cited therein.  
☐ Other:

2. The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- ☐ a. Translation of the application into English. Note a processing fee will be required if submitted later than the appropriate 20 or 30 months from the priority date.  
☐ The current translation is defective for the reasons indicated on the attached Notice of Defective Translation.  
☐ b. Processing fee for providing the translation of the application and/or the Annexes later than the appropriate 20 or 30 months from the priority date (37 CFR 1.492(f)).  
☒ c. Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.  
☐ The current oath or declaration does not comply with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b) for the reasons indicated on the attached PCT/DO/EO/917.  
☒ d. Surcharge for providing the oath or declaration later than the appropriate 20 or 30 months from the priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)).

3. Additional claim fees of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ as a ☐ large entity ☐ small entity, including any required multiple dependent claim fee, are required. Applicant must submit the additional claim fees or cancel the additional claims for which fees are due. See attached PTO-875.

**ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH IN 2(a)-2(d) AND 3 ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN ONE MONTH FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY ☐ 21 OR ☒ 31 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.**

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

4. Translation of the Annexes **MUST** be submitted no later than the time period set above or the annexes will be cancelled. Note processing fee will be required if submitted later than 30 months from the priority date.

5. ☐ The Article 19 amendments are cancelled since a translation was not provided by the appropriate 20 (37 CFR 494(d)) or 30 (37 CFR 1.495(d)) months from the priority date.

Applicant is reminded that any communication to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above. (37 CFR 1.5)

***A copy of this notice MUST be returned with this response.***

Enclosed:

- ☐ PCT/DO/EO/917 ☐ Notice of Defective Translation  
☐ PTO-875  
FORM PCT/DO/EO/905 (December 1997)

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**REQUEST OF EARLY NOTIFICATION OF SERIAL NUMBER**

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Atty Doc. #: Q61599 Client: KRANSELL & WENNBORG AB

Filing Date: November 9, 2000 # Pgs. Spec/Abst: 8 #Claims: 7/2

# Dwg. Sheets: 3 Decl yes Prelim Amdt no

IDS/Prior Art: 1449 Pr Doc: no Asgmt: no Fee: \$500.00

Executed Small Entity Declaration (1)

X Check Attached ☐ Charge to Deposit # 19-4880 Atty/Sec: PFN/ds  
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